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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Jerome F. McAleer et al. Confirmation No.: 1254
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Art Unit : 1753
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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

In response to the Final Office Action of December 20, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.